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via ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual Self -Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, Southern Communications Services, Inc., d/b/a Southern Linc hereby provides a copy of its online certification with the Universal Services Administrative Company ("USAC") that it is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

Please contact me if there are any questions or if additional information is desired.

Sincerely,

Bryant Peters

External Affairs Specialist

54.314(b) Self-Certification Filing Year: 2019

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Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R § 54.314, the **Southern Communications**, **Inc.** hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the Study Area Codes (SACs) listed below are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

I Lindsey Curtis certify that for the Study Area Codes (SACs) listed below all federal high-cost support provided to Southern Communications, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year (2018) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2020) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. ¹

ETCs CERTIFIED BY Southern Communications, Inc.

| Company Name | SAC |
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| SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC. | 259010 |

Signed,

Signature of Certifying Officer: Certified On-Line Name of Certifying Officer: Lindsey Curtis

Title or Position of Certifying Officer: Financial Plnning and Budgtg Mgr

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Date: 09/27/2019

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(b) ("<u>Carriers not subject to State jurisdiction</u>. An eligible telecommunications carrier not subject to the jurisdiction of a State that desires to receive support pursuant to the high-cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carrier was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the upcoming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Support provided pursuant to the high-cost program shall only be provided to the extent that the carrier has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.")